

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The amendment to Claim 1 simply places Claim 16, not rejected over prior art herein, in independent form. As Claim 16 has already been examined, no new matter and no new issues are presented. Claims 5-7 have been amended as suggested to recite lower limitations. The term "in a positive amount" did not enter new matter, it simply foreclosed any future unreasonable reading of the original claim as requiring none of the listed further component, i.e., no filler (C) in Claim 5.

As Claim 16 was not rejected over prior art, and as a Terminal Disclaimer over applications 11/814,034 and 11/720,935 is attached hereto,¹ Applicants request a Notice of Allowance and the passage of this case to Issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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